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HELD IN

St. Paul's Church, Augusta, Ga.,

THE 8TH, 9TH AND 10TH OF NOV., IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, 1865.

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ORDER

OF THE

SECRETARY OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

SECTION I.—A Secretary shall be chosen at every General Council, by ballot, by a majority of the voters, after *viva voce* nominations. If but one person is nominated, the balloting shall be dispensed with. The Secretary shall continue in office until the meeting of the next General Council, and until his successor is chosen. He shall attend at the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Council; shall receive the testimonials of those who shall there attend as members of the House of Deputies; shall record the names of those who present testimonials; and when such list is made, shall take the votes of those named in it for a President. The insertion, by the Secretary, in the list so made by him, of the name of any person who has presented a testimonial of his appointment as a Deputy, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the right of such person to a seat; but as soon as the House is duly organized, a Committee on Elections shall be appointed, to whom the testimonials of all those claiming to be members shall be referred.

The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; transcribe them with all Reports into a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journal and Records of the House; deliver them to his successor, and perform such other duties as may be directed or assigned to him by the House. He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint an Assistant Secretary. If, during the recess of the General Council, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one; if not, or if the Assistant Secretary shall die or resign, a Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Council is to meet.

SECTION II.—In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the list specified in the preceding section, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Council of every Diocese, to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the Journal of the Diocesan Council, together with a certified copy of the testimonials of members aforesaid.

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FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

AUGUSTA, GA., Nov. 8th, 1865.

This being the time and place appointed for the Second Triennial Meeting of the General Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the (late) Confederate States, the opening Services were held in St. Paul's Church.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Paul Trapier, of the Diocese of South Carolina, and the Rev. C. F. McRae, of the Diocese of Georgia, the Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., the Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia and Presiding Bishop, pronouncing the Declaration of Absolution.

The 107th of the Psalms in metre was announced by the Rev. W. H. Clarke, of Georgia, and sung by the choir and congregation. The Right Rev. R. H. Wilmer, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, proceeded with the Ante-Communion service; the Right Rev. W. M. Green, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Mississippi, reading the Epistle, and the Right Rev. John Johns, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, the Gospel.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Presiding Bishop, assisted by the Right Rev. Drs. Johns, Green and Wilmer.

After Divine Service, the testimonials of members elect of

the House of Deputies were received by the Rev. John M. Mitchell, Secretary of the House of Deputies of the last General Council, and the Roll called by him according to the following list of Deputies, to-wit :

VIRGINIA.

CLERICAL.

Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D. D.
Rev. Philip Slaughter.
Rev. George H. Norton.

Alternates.

Rev. Joshua Peterkin, D. D.
Rev. Charles Minnegerode, D. D.
Rev. William Sparrow, D. D.

LAY.

Mr. Philip Williams.
Mr. N. H. Massie.
Mr. N. B. Meade.

Alternates.

Mr. Hugh Pendleton.
Mr. James Galt.
Mr. David Funsten.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

CLERICAL.

Rev. C. Hancel, D. D.
Rev. Paul Trapier.
Rev. C. C. Pinckney.

Alternates.

Rev. P. J. Shand.
Rev. C. P. Gadsden.
Rev. J. S. Kidney.

LAY.

Mr. J. K. Sass.
Mr. Edward McCrady.
Mr. J. J. Pringle Smith.

Alternates.

Mr. George A. Trenholm.
Mr. John A. Calhoun.
Mr. H. D. Lesesne.

GEORGIA.

CLERICAL.

Rev. Cameron F. McRae.
Rev. W. H. Harison.
Rev. John D. Easter.

Alternates.

Rev. Charles H. Coley.
Rev. W. H. Clarke.
Rev. H. K. Rees.

LAY.

Mr. L. N. Whittle.
Mr. Charles J. Jenkins.
Mr. George A. Gordon.

Alternates.

Mr. Daniel Griffin.
Dr. R. D. Moore.
Mr. P. M. Nightingale.

ALABAMA.

CLERICAL.

Rev. J. M. Banister.
Rev. H. N. Pierce, D. D.
Rev. J. M. Mitchell.

Alternates.

Rev. R. A. Cobb.
Rev. W. A. Stickney.
Rev. J. A. Massey, D. D.

LAY.

Mr. S. G. Jones.
Mr. John D. Phelan.
Mr. W. P. Boccock.

Alternates.

Mr. W. G. Jones.
Mr. A. Benners.
Mr. A. R. Bell.

MISSISSIPPI.

CLERICAL.

Rev. W. C. Crane.
 Rev. T. S. Savage.
 Rev. J. T. Pickett.

Alternates.

Rev. B. M. Miller.
 Rev. Benjamin Halsted.
 Rev. W. K. Douglas.

LAY.

Mr. William McWillie.
 Mr. Richard Evans.
 Mr. T. C. Tupper.

Alternates.

Mr. William Hemingway.
 Mr. T. E. B. Pegues.
 Mr. John Duncan.

The following answered to their names, to-wit :

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

Virginia.—Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D.; Rev. Philip Slaughter; Rev. George H. Norton.

South Carolina.—Rev. Paul Trapier; Rev. C. C. Pinckney.

Georgia.—Rev. Cameron F. McRae; Rev. John D. Easter; Rev. William H. Clarke.

Alabama.—Rev. J. M. Banister; Rev. Henry N. Pierce, D. D.; Rev. John M. Mitchell.

Mississippi.—Rev. J. T. Pickett.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Virginia.—Mr. N. H. Massie; Mr. N. B. Meade; Mr. Hugh Pendleton.

Georgia.—Dr. R. D. Moore.

Alabama.—Mr. John D. Phelan.

Representations from a majority of the Dioceses composing the General Council being found present, and the Secretary having taken the votes of the Deputies, the Rev. Philip Slaughter, of the Diocese of Virginia, was declared duly and unanimously elected President of the House of Deputies.

The Rev. Mr. Slaughter having declined to preside because of physical disability, the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, of the Diocese of South Carolina, was then elected, also unanimously, and was conducted to the Chair by the Rev. P. Slaughter and the Rev. Mr. Trapier.

The Rev. J. M. Mitchell, of Alabama, was then elected Secretary, *viva voce*, there being no other nominee, and, with

the approbation of the House, appointed the Rev. J. T. Pickett, of Mississippi, Assistant Secretary.

On motion :

Resolved, That the Rev. W. H. Clarke be a Committee to inform the House of Bishops that the House of Deputies has organized by the election of the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, President, and the Rev. J. M. Mitchell, Secretary.

The following message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 1.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has organized, and elected the Rev. W. H. Harison, of Georgia, Secretary.

On motion, the President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Trapier and Slaughter a Committee to examine the credentials of the Deputies-elect.

The Committee having attended to the duty assigned to them, reported, that the credentials referred to them were all in due form, and duly attested the election of the Deputies, Clerical and Lay, whose names appear on the list made and recorded by the Secretary.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Trapier :

Resolved, That the President appoint, during recess, the following Standing Committees, to-wit: *On the State of the Church*, to consist of one Deputy from each Diocese; *On Canons*, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; *On the Bible and Prayer Book*, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; and *On Missions, On the Admission of New Dioceses, On the Consecration of Bishops, On Expenses, and On Elections*, to consist of three members each.

On motion of the same :

Resolved, That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not members of this body, and candidates for Orders, be admitted to the sittings of this House.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Andrews :

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the relations which the Dioceses associated in this General Council may hereafter sustain to this Council and to "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States."

The President appointed on this Committee the Rev. Dr. Andrews, Rev. Messrs. Trapier and Pickett, and Messrs. Phelan and Moore.

On motion :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the daily sessions of this Council be commenced at 10 o'clock, A. M.

On motion :

Resolved, That the Rules of Order adopted by the House of Deputies, in 1862, be the Rules of Order of this House.

The following messages were received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 2.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred in the Resolution of the House of Deputies, appointing 10 o'clock as the hour of commencing the daily sessions of this Council.

[MESSAGE No. 3.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Committee of Conference be appointed to prepare matters for the consideration of this Council.

And has appointed, on the part of this House, the Presiding Bishop.

On motion :

Resolved, That this House concur in the resolution of the House of Bishops, communicated in Message No. 3, and that the Committee, on the part of this House, be the Committee appointed to consider and report upon the relations which the Dioceses associated in this Council may hereafter sustain to this Council and to "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States."

On motion, the House then adjourned.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,
AUGUSTA, GA., Nov. 9th, 1865. }

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. President and the Rev. W. H. Clarke.

On the call of the Roll, the same members were found present as on yesterday, with the addition of Mr. Edward McCrady, Lay Deputy from the Diocese of South Carolina

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and confirmed.

The President announced the following Standing Committees, to-wit :

Committee on the State of the Church :

Rev. PHILIP SLAUGHTER.
Rev. PAUL TRAPIER.
Rev. C. F. McRAE.
Rev. H. N. PIERCE, D. D.
Rev. J. T. PICKETT.

Committee on Canons :

Rev. PAUL TRAPIER.
Rev. W. H. CLARKE.
Rev. J. M. BANISTER.
Mr. N. H. MASSIE.
Mr. JOHN D. PHELAN.
Dr. R. D. MOORE.

Committee on the Bible and Prayer Book :

Rev. CHARLES W. ANDREWS, D. D.
Rev. JOHN D. EASTER.
Rev. GEORGE H. NORTON.
Mr. HUGH N. PENDLETON
Mr. N. B. MEADE.
Dr. R. D. MOORE.

Committee on Missions :

Rev. H. N. PIERCE, D. D.
Rev. C. W. ANDREWS, D. D.
Mr. N. H. MASSIE.

Committee on Admission of New Dioceses :

Rev. CAMERON F. McRAE.
Mr. EDWARD McCRADY.
Mr. JOHN D. PHELAN.

Committee on the Consecration of Bishops :

Rev. JOHN M. MITCHELL.
Mr. H. N. PENDLETON.
Mr. EDWARD McCRADY.

Committee on Expenses :

Dr. R. D. MOORE.
Mr. J. D. PHELAN.
Mr. N. H. MASSIE.

Committee on Elections :

Rev. W. H. CLARKE.
Rev. J. M. BANISTER.
Mr. N. B. MEADE.

The Committee of Conference to prepare matters for the action of this Council made the following

REPORT :

WHEREAS, The several Dioceses, which we, as Bishops and Deputies represent at this Council, were compelled, from political necessity, to separate from the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and did decide, upon grounds sanctioned by Holy Scripture and Primitive Antiquity, to unite together, and adopt for their better government and more convenient action, a Constitution and Code of Canons, and did meet in pursuance of that Constitution, in General Council, in November, 1862; and

Whereas, This Church, so organized, although arising out of political necessity, was from that time a duly organized branch of the One Catholic and Apostolic Church, and may of right so continue to be, or may, through the action of its several Diocesan Councils, form any other Synodical association; and

Whereas, In the opinion of several of the Dioceses, which co-operated in the formation of this independent branch of the Church Catholic, the political necessity which caused its arrangement no longer exists; and

Whereas, The spirit of charity which prevailed in the proceedings of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, at its late session in Philadelphia, has warmly commended itself to the hearts of this Council; therefore,

Resolved, I. That, in the judgment of this Council, it is perfectly consistent with the good faith which she owes to the Bishops and Dioceses with which she has been in union since 1862, for any Diocese to decide for herself whether she shall any longer continue in union with this Council.

II. That two or more Dioceses, if preferring to remain in their present relations to each other, will, in our judgment, be entitled to be regarded as a legitimate branch of the Church Catholic, and to all the tokens of fraternal intercommunion; and shall be known as the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Associated Dioceses in the United States.

III. That it be recommended, that wherever the word *Confederate* occurs in the Standards of this Church, the word *United* be substituted therefor.

IV. That inasmuch as the change recommended in the preceding Resolution (being a change in the Prayer Book) cannot be legally completed until the next meeting of this Council, under the circumstances it should, in the meantime, have the force of law.

V. That each Diocese now in connection with this Council shall be governed by the Constitution and Canons thereof, until such time as it shall have declared its withdrawal therefrom, as hereinafter provided for.

VI. That whenever any Diocese shall determine to withdraw from this Ecclesiastical Confederation, such withdrawal shall be considered as duly accomplished when an official notice, signed by the Bishop and Secretary of such Diocese, shall have been given to the Bishops of the Dioceses remaining in connection with this Council.

(Signed)

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,

From the Committee of the House of Bishops.

C. W. ANDREWS,

Of the Committee of the House of Deputies.

The Committee reported, also, the following resolution, to-wit:

Resolved, That while we advise the change of the word "Confederate" to that of "United" where it occurs in the Prayer Book, we recommend that a Joint Committee be appointed by this Council to enter its solemn protest against those Military Orders by which Churches have been closed and Clergymen ordered to be suspended from their functions, because they could not use certain Prayers under the dictation of the Military Authority.

(Signed)

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,

Chairman of the Committee of the House of Bishops.

C. W. ANDREWS,

Chairman of the Committee on the part of the House of Deputies.

Mr. McCrady moved that the Report be printed for the use of the House. Lost.

The Rev. Dr. Pierce offered the following :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That this Council go into a Joint Committee of the Whole to consider the Report of the Committee of Conference to prepare matters for the action of this Council.

On motion of Mr. N. H. Massie, said resolution was laid on the table.

The following message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 4.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the Report and Resolutions of the Joint Committee appointed to prepare matters for the action of this Council, with the following amendments :

1. In the first paragraph of the Preamble (2d line), by striking out the words "compelled from," and inserting the words "impelled by."

2. And, after the word "separate," in the same line, adding the words, "in a legislative capacity."

3. By striking out the second Resolution, and substituting the following therefor :

"II. That any Dioceses, preferring to remain in their present relations to each other, have, in the opinion of this Council, a right so to do by virtue of their Diocesan independency, and their action should be concluded by their own wise judgment, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit of God and the custom of the Primitive Church."

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Norton :

Resolved, That this House concur in the first amendment of the House of Bishops to the Report of the Joint Committee to prepare matters for the action of this Council, as conveyed to it in Message No. 4.

On motion of the same :

Resolved, That this House concur in the second amendment of said Report, as conveyed in the same Message.

On motion of the same :

Resolved, That this House *non-concur* in the third amendment of said Report as conveyed to it in the same Message.

On motion, the House took a recess till 5½ o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

On motion, the House adopted the first of the resolutions contained in the Report of the Committee of Conference.

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell offered the following as a substitute for the second of the resolutions contained in said Report, to-wit:

II. That if any number of the Dioceses composing this Ecclesiastical Organization, in the exercise of their Diocesan independency, shall prefer to maintain said Organization, they will not thereby, in the judgment of this Council, forfeit their claim to fraternal inter-communion as a branch of the Church Catholic

The following message was received from the House of Bishops:

[MESSAGE No. 5.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution:

Resolved, That while we advise the change of the word "Confederate" to that of "United" where it occurs in the Prayer Book, we recommend that a Joint Committee be appointed by this Council to enter its solemn Protest against those Military Orders by which Churches have been closed, and Clergymen ordered to be suspended from their functions because they could not use certain prayers under the dictation of the Military Authority.

A vote by Dioceses and Orders was called for on the proposed substitute for Resolution II., contained in the Report of the Committee of Conference, which vote was as follows:

On the part of the Clergy:

AYES.—Virginia and South Carolina, 2.

NOES.—Georgia, Mississippi and Alabama, 3.

On the part of the Laity:

AYES.—Virginia, South Carolina, Alabama and Mississippi, 4.

The President declared the substitute lost by the non-concurrence of the two Orders.

On motion of Mr. Phelan, Resolution II. was amended by striking out all after the word "inter-communion."

A vote by Dioceses and Orders was then called for, on the adoption of Resolution II., as thus amended, and resulted as follows :

On the part of the Clergy:

AYES.—Virginia and South Carolina, 2.

NOES.—Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, 3.

On the part of the Laity:

AYES.—Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama, 4.

The President declared the resolution lost by the non-concurrence of the two Orders.

By consent of the House, Resolutions III. and IV. were passed over for the present, and

On motion, Resolution V. was then adopted.

On motion, Resolution VI. was adopted.

On motion, Resolution III. was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Phelan, Resolution IV. was amended by adding the following words: "In any Diocese, when approved by its Bishop or Diocesan Council."

On motion of the same, Resolution IV., thus amended, was adopted.

On motion :

Ordered, That the numbering of the Resolutions in the Report be altered to conform to the non-adoption of Resolution II.

On motion, in each of the first two places where the words "political necessity" occur in the Preamble contained in the Report, the word "necessity" was stricken out, and the word "events" was inserted.

On motion, in the third place, where the words "political necessity" occur in said Preamble, they were stricken out, and the word "exigency" was inserted.

On motion, the Preamble, so amended, was then adopted.

On motion, the Report and Resolutions of the Committee of Conference, as amended, were adopted unanimously, and sent to the House of Bishops for its concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House of Deputies.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the Resolution to appoint a Joint Committee to protest against certain Military Orders, as conveyed to it in Message No. 5 of the House of Bishops.

On motion of Mr. Massie:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the next regular meeting of the General Council of this Church be held in Richmond, Va.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Trapier:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Article V. of the Constitution of this Church be adopted, as amended, on page 89 of the Journal of the General Council of 1862, to-wit:

"ARTICLE V.—Every Diocesan Council shall be composed of the Bishop, or Bishops, of the Diocese, and of such other Clergymen and such lay representation as shall be determined by the Constitution thereof."

On motion of Mr. Massie:

Resolved, That the House elect one Clergyman and one Layman to fill the vacancies in the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, on the part of this House, appointed by the General Council in 1862.

Whereupon the House elected the Rev. Charles W. Andrews, D. D., and Mr. N. H. Massie.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

[MESSAGE No. 6.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution:

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Amendments of the House of Deputies to the Report of the Joint Committee, as conveyed to this House in Message No. 5 of the House of Deputies.

So the Report of the Committee of Conference appointed to prepare matters for the consideration of this Council, as amended and finally adopted by the concurrent action of the two Houses, reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The several Dioceses, which we, as Bishops and Deputies represent at this Council, were impelled by political events to separate, in a legislative capacity, from the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and did

decide, upon grounds sanctioned by Holy Scripture and Primitive Antiquity, to unite together and adopt, for their better government and more convenient action, a Constitution and Code of Canons, and did meet, in pursuance of that Constitution, in General Council, in November, 1862; and

Whereas, This Church, so organized, although arising out of political events, was from that time a duly organized branch of the One Catholic and Apostolic Church, and may of right so continue to be, or may, through the action of its several Diocesan Councils, form any other Synodical association; and

Whereas, In the opinion of several of the Dioceses which co-operated in the formation of this independent branch of the Church Catholic, the exigency which caused its arrangement no longer exists; and

Whereas, The spirit of charity which prevailed in the proceedings of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, at its late session in Philadelphia, has warmly commended itself to the hearts of this Council; therefore,

Resolved, I. That, in the judgment of this Council, it is perfectly consistent with the good faith which she owes to the Bishops and Dioceses with which she has been in union since 1862, for any Diocese to decide for herself whether she shall any longer continue in union with this Council.

II. That it be recommended that wherever the word "CONFEDERATE" occurs in the Standards of this Church, the word "UNITED" be substituted therefor.

III. That inasmuch as the change recommended in the preceding Resolution (being a change in the Prayer Book) cannot be legally completed until the next meeting of this Council, under the circumstances it should, in the meantime, have the force of law in any Diocese, when approved by its Bishop or Diocesan Council.

IV. That each Diocese now in connection with this Council shall be governed by the Constitution and Canons thereof, until such time as it shall have declared its withdrawal therefrom, as hereinafter provided for.

V. That whenever any Diocese shall determine to withdraw from this Ecclesiastical Confederation, such withdrawal shall be considered as duly accomplished when an official notice, signed by the Bishop and Secretary of such Diocese, shall have been given to the Bishops of the Dioceses remaining in connection with this Council.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

AUGUSTA, GA., Nov. 10th, 1865.

After Morning Prayer, read by the Rev. Mr. Banister of Alabama, and the Rev. Dr. Andrews of Virginia, the House met pursuant to adjournment. Present as on yesterday, except Rev. Messrs. Slaughter and Norton, and Messrs. Meade and Pendleton.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and confirmed.

The President announced the appointment of the Rev. Messrs. Trapier and McRae, and Mr. McCrady, as the members on the part of this House, of the Joint Committee to enter a Protest against certain Military Orders.

The Committee on Expenses made the following Report, which, on motion, was adopted, to-wit :

The Committee on Expenses beg leave to report that they have no facts before them to enable them to decide upon the amount of funds necessary to be raised, and do therefore recommend that the Secretary, when he has ascertained the amount needed, apportion the same among the Dioceses as heretofore.

(Signed)

R. D. MOORE,

Chairman.

On motion, the House proceeded to the election of Treasurer of the General Council.

Whereupon, the House elected the Rev. J. M. Mitchell, of the Diocese of Alabama.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Andrews :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Rectors and Congregations of the Churches in this city, and to the citizens, for their generous hospitality.

On motion of the same :

Ordered, That a copy of the Journal of this Council be sent to each of the Rectors and Vestrymen of the two Parishes in this city.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a sufficient number of copies of the Journal of this Council be printed, under the direction of the Secretaries thereof, to furnish five copies to each Bishop and one copy to each Cler-

gyman of this Church; one to each Lay Deputy to this Council; one to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; one to the Secretary and one to the Standing Committee of each Diocese in the United States; and to reserve one hundred copies for the further use of the General Council.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Trapier :

Resolved, That a typographical error in Canon V., Title I., of the Canons, as printed in 1862, be corrected by the omission of the words "Moral Philosophy and Rhetoric" from line 3d of § 1, of said Canon.

On motion of Mr. Phelan, seconded by Rev. Mr. Trapier, and after warm and affectionate tributes to the memory of the late subject thereof, by them and by the Rev. President and Mr. McCrady, the House unanimously adopted the following resolution, to-wit :

Resolved, That, in the death of Mr. Jacob K. Sass, late of Charleston, and Treasurer of this Council, since the last meeting of the Council, this Church has lost a valuable officer, while, as we trust and believe, a true-Christian man, whose quiet and useful labors greatly endeared him to all of us, has "entered into his rest."

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 7.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to prepare resolutions expressive of the sense which this Council entertains of the loss which the Church has experienced by the lamented death of the late Right Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., and the late Right Rev. James H. Otey, D. D.

And has appointed Bishops Johns, Green and Wilmer as the Committee on the part of this House.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the foregoing resolution, and the President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Banister and Clarke, and Mr. N. H. Massie, as the Committee on the part of the House of Deputies.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 8.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed the Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., and the Right Rev. Wm. Mercer Green, D. D., as the Committee on the part of this House to enter a Protest against certain Military Orders.

The House took a recess until 4 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier, on behalf of the Joint Committee appointed to enter a Protest against certain Military Orders, made the following

REPORT :

The Committee, to whom was referred the following Joint Resolution of the General Council, viz. :

" Resolved, That, while we advise the change of the word "CONFEDERATE" to that of "UNITED" where it occurs in the Prayer Book, we recommend that a Joint Committee be appointed by this Council to enter its solemn protest against those Military Orders by which Churches have been closed and Clergymen ordered to be suspended from their functions, because they could not use certain Prayers under the dictation of the Military Authority," do respectfully report, that—

WHEREAS, The Bishop of Alabama was elected and consecrated under the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the *then* Confederate States, and never has been, nor is now, a Bishop of the Church in the United States, nor can be so, in the judgment of that Church, as recently expressed in his case, unless and until he shall have made the required "promise of conformity" to the Constitution and Canons thereof; and

Whereas, For this reason he held that he was under no ecclesiastical obligation to use the Prayer appointed in the Prayer Book of said Church for "the President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority;" and

Whereas, The independence of the Church, in matters purely spiritual, is held to be of Divine authority, and has been the doctrine of the Church since the foundation of Christianity, and is at this day universally conceded by the powers of this world, wherever the Church has been true to itself; therefore,

We, the members of this Council, do, in our own behalf, and in behalf of the Christian Church throughout the world, solemnly protest against the Order

issued September 20th, 1865, from the Headquarters of the Department of Alabama, that the Bishop and Clergy of that Diocese "be suspended from their functions, and forbidden to preach or perform Divine Service, and that their places of worship be closed"—and against all and every secular interference with ecclesiastical affairs, as a violation of liberty of conscience, as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States.

(Signed)

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,

Chairman of Committee on part of House of Bishops.

PAUL TRAPIER,

Chairman of Committee on part of House of Deputies.

On motion, the Report was laid on the table for the present.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 9.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Resolution of the House of Deputies, as conveyed in Message No. 10, directing the printing and distribution of the Journal, with the following amendment : By the insertion of the words, "When the requisite funds are deposited with the Treasurer," after the word "That," in the 1st line of the Resolution.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 10.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the election of the Rev. J. M. Mitchell as Treasurer of the General Council be hereby confirmed.

On motion, the House concurred in the amendment to the Resolution providing for the printing of the Journal, as conveyed to it in Message No. 9, of the House of Bishops.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 11.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Preamble and Resolution :

The General Council, having resolved to remit to the several Dioceses the

whole question of their future ecclesiastical relations, for their separate and independent Diocesan action, therefore—

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That it is inexpedient to enter upon any questions, which in their bearing may be legislative, until such time as the Dioceses shall have determined those relations.

[MESSAGE No. 12.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the Report of the Joint Committee appointed to protest against certain Military Orders.

On motion :

Resolved, That this House non-concurs in the adoption of the Preamble and Resolution conveyed to it in Message No. 11 of the House of Bishops.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 13.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That this House requests a Committee of Conference with the House of Deputies on the subject of further legislation ; and has appointed Bishops Elliott and Wilmer on the part of this House.

On motion, the House acceded to the request contained in the Resolution conveyed to it in Message No. 13 of the House of Bishops ; and appointed the Rev. Drs. Andrews and Pierce, and Mr. McCrady, as the Committee on the part of the House of Deputies.

Rev. Mr. Clarke, on behalf of the Joint Committee appointed to prepare Resolutions of the sense of this Council of the loss to the Church by the deaths of the Right Rev. Bishops Otey and Polk, made the following Report, to-wit :

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the duty of preparing a suitable expression of the respect of this Council for the memory of the late Right Rev. James Hervey Otey, D. D. ; LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee, and the late Right Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions :

Resolved, I. That in the absence of those beloved and lamented Fathers from the scenes of their earthly labors, at a time when their ardent devotion to the interests of Christ and His Holy Church, their enlarged wisdom and ripe experience would have rendered their counsels and co-operation especially valuable and important, we find cause for profound regret and sorrow, while we desire to bow in humble submission to the afflictive dispensation of Divine Providence.

II. That, holding in deserved and affectionate remembrance their many virtues, their untiring energy, and their self-sacrificing efforts to maintain and defend the truth, we will study so to advance those great designs for the moral and religious culture of our Dioceses, to which each of them had given so much time and thought, as will perpetuate the influence among us of their Christian character and elevated aims.

III. That copies of these Resolutions be spread upon the Journal, and also be communicated to the Dioceses of Tennessee and Louisiana, and to the families of the departed.

On motion, the Report and Resolutions were adopted.

Rev. Dr. Andrews, on behalf of the Committee of Conference, made a verbal report of the result of the Conference.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

[MESSAGE No. 14.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That this House non-concurs in the Resolution of the House of Deputies, appointing Richmond, Va., as the place of meeting for the next General Council.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the next regular meeting of the General Council of this Church be held in Charleston, South Carolina.

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Resolution of the House of Deputies conveyed to this House in Message No. 7.

On motion, the House of Deputies concurred in the Resolution of the House of Bishops, appointing Charleston, S. C., as the place of meeting for the next General Council of the Church.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Pierce:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Article I. of the Constitution of this Church be amended so as to read "Protestant Episcopal Church of Associated Dioceses in the United States," instead of "Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States."

Rev. Mr. Trapier, on behalf of the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report, to-wit:

Your Committee regret that, through the failure of most of the Bishops, Standing Committees, and Secretaries of Diocesan Councils, to furnish the reports and documents required by Canon V., of Title II., they are unable to lay

before you the statistics essential to a full view of the State of the Church ; but they transmit herewith such information as they have been able to obtain, and express the hope that other Dioceses will send their reports to the Secretary of this House as soon as convenient.

Signed in behalf of the Committee,

PAUL TRAPIER, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Report was adopted.

The Report of the Joint Committee appointed to protest against certain Military Orders, was then taken from the table, and, on motion, said Report was unanimously adopted, in concurrence with the action of the House of Bishops, as communicated to it in Message No. 12.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 15.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the amendment of Article I. of the Constitution, as adopted by the House of Deputies, and conveyed to this House in Message No. 17 of the House of Deputies.

On motion, the Secretary was requested to inform the House of Bishops that the House of Deputies is now ready to adjourn, *sine die*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

[MESSAGE No. 16.]

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary inform the House of Deputies that the House of Bishops will attend immediately for the purpose of uniting with the House of Deputies in the closing devotional services of the Council.

On motion, the Rev. Messrs. Clarke and Mitchell were appointed a Committee to wait upon the House of Bishops and conduct them to the seats prepared for them in the Chancel.

Whereupon, the Right Rev. Bishops entered, and the Presiding Bishop addressed to the two Houses a few unwritten, but exceedingly appropriate remarks, of which the Secretary, by order of the House of Deputies, solicited a copy to be entered upon the Journal, but was unable to procure it.

The two Houses then united in appropriate Prayers, read by the Presiding Bishop, who also pronounced the Apostolic Benediction; and, the House of Bishops having retired, the House of Deputies, on motion, adjourned, *sine die*.

C. C. PINCKNEY,
President.

ATTEST:

JNO. M. MITCHELL,
Secretary.



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FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

AUGUSTA, GA., *Wednesday*, Nov. 8th, 1865.

This being the day and place appointed for the second meeting of the General Council, the Bishops and Deputies elect assembled in St. Paul's Church, Augusta.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Paul Trapier, of the Diocese of South Carolina, assisted by the Rev. Cameron F. McRae, of the Diocese of Georgia.

The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Right Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D. D., the Right Rev. William M. Green, D. D., being Epistler, and the Right Rev. John Johns, D. D., Gospeller.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., assisted by the Bishops of Virginia, Mississippi and Alabama.

After Divine Service, the Bishops met in the Lecture Room of St. Paul's Church. The Senior Bishop, the Right

Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia, took the Chair.

The Roll of the House was then called, and the following answered to their names :

The Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia; Right Rev. John Johns, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia; Right Rev. William M. Green, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Mississippi, and Right Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama.

A quorum being present, the House proceeded to business.

On motion of Bishop Johns, the Rev. W. H. Harison, of the Diocese of Georgia, was elected Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Clarke appeared as a Committee from the House of Deputies, and presented the following Message :

MESSAGE No. 1.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has organized, and has elected the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, President, and the Rev. J. M. Mitchell, Secretary.

On motion of Bishop Johns :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Committee of Conference be appointed to prepare matters for the consideration of this Council.

Resolved, That the Right Rev. the Presiding Bishop be appointed to represent this House on said Committee.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

MESSAGE No. 2.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the daily sessions of this Council be commenced at 10 o'clock, A. M.

On motion :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Resolution of the House of Deputies, appointing 10 o'clock as the hour of commencing the daily sessions of this Council.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

MESSAGE No. 3.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Resolution conveyed to it in Message No. 3 of the House of Bishops, and appoints Rev. Dr. Andrews of Virginia, Rev. Mr. Trapier of South Carolina, Rev. J. T. Pickett of Mississippi, Hon. J. D. Phelan of Alabama, and Dr. R. D. Moore of Georgia, as the Committee on the part of this House.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

THURSDAY, November 9th, 1865.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee of Conference, appointed to prepare matters for the consideration of this Council, presented the following

REPORT :

WHEREAS, The several Dioceses, which we, as Bishops and Deputies represent at this Council, were compelled, from political necessity, to separate from the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and did decide, upon grounds sanctioned by Holy Scripture and Primitive Antiquity, to unite together, and adopt for their better government and more convenient action, a Constitution and Code of Canons, and did meet in pursuance of that Constitution, in General Council, in November, 1862; and

Whereas, This Church, so organized, although arising out of political necessity, was from that time a duly organized branch of the One Catholic and Apostolic Church, and may of right so continue to be, or may, through the action of its several Diocesan Councils, form any other Synodical association; and

Whereas, In the opinion of several of the Dioceses, which co-operated in the formation of this independent branch of the Church Catholic, the political necessity which caused its arrangement no longer exists; and

Whereas, The spirit of charity which prevailed in the proceedings of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, at

its late session in Philadelphia, has warmly commended itself to the hearts of this Council; therefore,

Resolved, I. That, in the judgment of this Council, it is perfectly consistent with the good faith which she owes to the Bishops and Dioceses with which she has been in union since 1862, for any Diocese to decide for herself whether she shall any longer continue in union with this Council.

II. That two or more Dioceses, if preferring to remain in their present relations to each other, will, in our judgment, be entitled to be regarded as a legitimate branch of the Church Catholic, and to all the tokens of fraternal intercommunion; and shall be known as the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Associated Dioceses in the United States.

III. That it be recommended, that wherever the word *Confederate* occurs in the Standards of this Church, the word *United* be substituted therefor.

IV. That inasmuch as the change recommended in the preceding Resolution (being a change in the Prayer Book) cannot be legally completed until the next meeting of this Council, under the circumstances it should, in the meantime, have the force of law.

V. That each Diocese now in connection with this Council shall be governed by the Constitution and Canons thereof, until such time as it shall have declared its withdrawal therefrom, as hereinafter provided for.

VI. That whenever any Diocese shall determine to withdraw from this Ecclesiastical Confederation, such withdrawal shall be considered as duly accomplished when an official notice, signed by the Bishop and Secretary of such Diocese, shall have been given to the Bishops of the Dioceses remaining in connection with this Council.

(Signed)

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,

Chairman of Committee of House of Bishops.

C. W. ANDREWS,

Chairman of Committee of House of Deputies.

On motion of Bishop Wilmer, the first paragraph in the Preamble (line 2) was amended by striking out the words "compelled from" and substituting therefor the words "impelled by."

And also by adding, after the word "separate" (line 2), the words, "in a legislative capacity."

On motion, the second Resolution was stricken out, and the following substitute adopted:

Resolved, That any Dioceses preferring to remain in their present relations to each other, have, in the opinion of this Council, a right so to do by virtue of

their Diocesan independency; and their action should be concluded by their own wise judgment, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit of God, and the custom of the Primitive Church.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House re-assembled, and, on motion, took a recess until 5.30 o'clock, P. M. .

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed its business.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies.

MESSAGE No. 4.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That this House concurs in the 1st Amendment of the House of Bishops to the Report of the Joint Committee, as conveyed to it in Message No. 4 of the House of Bishops.

2. *Resolved*, That this House concurs in the 2d Amendment of the House of Bishops to the Report of the Joint Committee, as conveyed to it in Message No. 4 of the House of Bishops.

3. *Resolved*, That this House does *non-concur* in the 3d Amendment of the House of Bishops to the Report of the Joint Committee, as conveyed to it in Message No. 4 of the House of Bishops.

On motion, Message No. 4 from the House of Deputies was laid on the table.

On motion:

Resolved, That, while we advise the change of the word "Confederate" to that of "United" where it occurs in the Prayer Book, we recommend that a Joint Committee be appointed by this Council to enter its solemn Protest against those Military Orders by which Churches have been closed, and Clergymen ordered to be suspended from their functions, because they could not use certain Prayers under the direction of the Military Authority.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 5.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the Report and Resolutions of the Committee of Conference to prepare matters for the action of this Council, with the following amendments:

1. In each of the first two instances where the words "political necessity" occur in the Preamble, the word "necessity" be stricken out, and the word "events" be inserted.

2. In the third instance, where the same words occur in the Preamble, they be stricken out and the word "exigency" inserted.

3. Strike out Resolution No. 2, and change the numbering of the series to correspond thereto.

4. Add to the Resolution, numbered 4 in the Report, at its end, the words, "in any Diocese, when approved by its Bishop or Diocesan Council."

On motion:

Resolved, That this House concurs in the amendments of the House of Deputies to the Preamble and Resolutions, submitted by the Joint Committee, as conveyed to this House in Message No. 5 of the House of Deputies.

The Preamble and Resolutions, as amended in both Houses and finally adopted, are as follows:

WHEREAS, The several Dioceses, which we, as Bishops and Deputies represent at this Council, were impelled by political events to separate, in a legislative capacity, from the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and did decide, upon grounds sanctioned by Holy Scripture and Primitive Antiquity, to unite together and adopt, for their better government and more convenient action, a Constitution and Code of Canons, and did meet, in pursuance of that Constitution, in General Council, in November, 1862; and

Whereas, This Church, so organized, although arising out of political events—was from that time a duly organized branch of the One Catholic and Apostolic Church, and may of right so continue to be, or may, through the action of its several Diocesan Councils, form any other Synodical association; and

Whereas, In the opinion of several of the Dioceses which co-operated in the formation of this independent branch of the Church Catholic, the exigency which caused its arrangement no longer exists; and

Whereas, The spirit of charity which prevailed in the proceedings of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, at its late session in Philadelphia, has warmly commended itself to the hearts of this Council; therefore,

Resolved, I. That, in the judgment of this Council, it is perfectly consistent with the good faith which she owes to the Bishops and Dioceses with which she has been in union since 1862, for any Diocese to decide for herself whether she shall any longer continue in union with this Council.

II. That it be recommended that wherever the word "CONFEDERATE" occurs in the Standards of this Church, the word "UNITED" be substituted therefor.

III. That inasmuch as the change recommended in the preceding Resolution

(being a change, in the Prayer Book) cannot be legally completed until the next meeting of this Council, under the circumstances it should, in the meantime, have the force of law in any Diocese, when approved by its Bishop or Diocesan Council.

IV. That each Diocese now in connection with this Council shall be governed by the Constitution and Canons thereof, until such time as it shall have declared its withdrawal therefrom, as hereinafter provided for.

V. That whenever any Diocese shall determine to withdraw from this Ecclesiastical Confederation, such withdrawal shall be considered as duly accomplished when an official notice, signed by the Bishop and Secretary of such Diocese, shall have been given to the Bishops of the Dioceses remaining in connection with this Council.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

FRIDAY, November 10th, 1865.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday.

The minutes were read and approved.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies :

MESSAGE No. 6.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the next regular meeting of the General Council of this Church be held in Richmond, Virginia.

MESSAGE No. 7.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That Article V. of the Constitution be adopted as amended on page 89 of the Journal of the General Council of 1862.

MESSAGE No. 8.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has elected the Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., and Mr. N. H. Massie, to fill the vacancies, on the part of this House, in the Joint Committee on the Prayer Book, appointed by the General Council of 1862.

MESSAGE No. 9.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that this House has appointed the Rev. Mr. Trapier, the Rev. Mr. McRae and Mr. McCrady as the Committee on the part of this House to enter a Protest against certain Military Orders.

MESSAGE No. 10.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a sufficient number of the Journal of this Council be printed, under the direction of the Secretaries thereof to furnish five copies to each Bishop, one copy to each Clergyman of this Church, one to each Lay Deputy to this Council, one to each of the other Bishops in the United States, and one to the Secretary and one to the Standing Committee of each Diocese in the United States ; and to reserve one hundred copies for the future use of the General Council.

MESSAGE No. 11.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has elected the Rev. J. M. Mitchell Treasurer of the General Council.

On motion, the foregoing Messages were laid on the table, for the present.

On motion of Bishop Johns :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to prepare Resolutions expressive of the sense which this Council entertains of the loss which the Church has experienced, by the lamented deaths of the late Right Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., and the late Right Rev. James H. Otey, D. D.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishops Johns, Green and Wilmer as said Committee on the part of this House.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

MESSAGE No. 12.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that this House has concurred in the adoption of the Resolution of the House of Bishops, appointing a Joint Committee to prepare Resolutions on the loss to this Church by the deaths of the late Right Rev. L. Polk, D. D., and the late Right Rev. J. H. Otey, D. D.

And has appointed Rev. J. M. Banister, Rev. W. H. Clarke and Mr. N. H. Massie, as such Committee on the part of this House.

The Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., and the Right Rev.

Wm. Mercer Green, D. D., on the part of this House, were elected members of the Joint Committee to protest against certain Military Orders.

On motion, the House took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed its business.

Bishop Elliott, on behalf of the Joint Committee of Protest, presented the following :

REPORT :

The Committee, to whom was referred the following Joint Resolution of the General Council, viz. :

“ Resolved, That, while we advise the change of the word “CONFEDERATE” to that of “UNITED” where it occurs in the Prayer Book, we recommend that a Joint Committee be appointed by this Council to enter its solemn protest against those Military Orders by which Churches have been closed and Clergymen ordered to be suspended from their functions, because they could not use certain Prayers under the dictation of the Military Authority,” do respectfully report, that—

WHEREAS, The Bishop of Alabama was elected and consecrated under the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the *then* Confederate States, and never has been, nor is now, a Bishop of the Church in the United States, nor can be so, in the judgment of that Church, as recently expressed in his case, unless and until he shall have made the required “*promise of conformity*” to the Constitution and Canons thereof; and

Whereas, For this reason he held that he was under no ecclesiastical obligation to use the Prayer appointed in the Prayer Book of said Church for “the President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority;” and

Whereas, The independence of the Church, in matters purely spiritual, is held to be of Divine authority, and has been the doctrine of the Church since the foundation of Christianity, and is at this day universally conceded by the powers of this world, wherever the Church has been true to itself; therefore,

We, the members of this Council, do, in our own behalf, and in behalf of the Christian Church throughout the world, solemnly protest against the Order issued September 20th, 1865, from the Headquarters of the Department of Alabama, that the Bishop and Clergy of that Diocese “be suspended from their

functions, and forbidden to preach or perform Divine Service, and that their places of worship be closed"—and against all and every secular interference with ecclesiastical affairs, as a violation of liberty of conscience, as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States.

(Signed)

STEPHEN ELLIOTT,

Chairman of Committee on part of House of Bishops.

PAUL TRAPIER,

Chairman of Committee on part of House of Deputies.

On motion, the Report was unanimously adopted.

Message No. 10, from the House of Deputies, on Printing the Journal, was taken from the table, and adopted with the following amendment:

By inserting the words, "when the requisite funds are deposited with the Treasurer," after the word "That" in the 1st line.

Message No. 11 of the House of Deputies was then called up, and the election of the Rev. John M. Mitchell, of the Diocese of Alabama, as Treasurer of the General Council, was confirmed.

On motion, the following Preamble and Resolution were adopted:

The General Council having resolved to remit to the several Dioceses the whole question of their future Ecclesiastical relations, for their separate and independent Diocesan action, therefore

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That it is inexpedient to enter upon any questions which, in their bearings, may be legislative, until such time as the Dioceses shall have determined those relations.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 13.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that this House has concurred in the amendment of the House of Bishops to the Resolution providing for the Printing of the Journal, as conveyed to it in Message No. 9 of the House of Bishops.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 14.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution:

Resolved, That this House does non-concur in the Preamble and Resolution concerning further legislation by this Council at this time.

On motion :

Resolved, That this House requests a Committee of Conference with the House of Deputies on the subject of further legislation.

And has appointed Bishops Elliott and Wilmer to represent this House on the said Committee.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

MESSAGE No. 15.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that this House has concurred in the Resolution asking for a Committee of Conference, as conveyed to it in Message No. 13 of the House of Bishops.

And has appointed Rev. Drs. Andrews and Pierce, and Mr. McCrady, as the Committee on the part of this House.

The House took a recess to allow of the meeting of the Committee of Conference.

The House resumed its business.

Message No. 6 from the House of Deputies was taken up, and the following Resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That this House does non-concur in the appointment of Richmond as the place of holding the next regular meeting of the General Council.

On motion :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the next regular meeting of the General Council of this Church be held in Charleston, S. C.

Message No. 7 from the House of Deputies was taken from the table, and the following Resolution adopted :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Resolution of the House of Deputies, that Article V. of the Constitution be adopted as amended on page 89 of the Journal of the General Council of 1862.

Bishop Johns, on behalf of the Joint Committee to prepare Resolutions on the deaths of the late Right Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., and the late Right Rev. James H. Otey, D. D., presented the following Report, which was adopted :

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the duty of preparing a suitable expression of the respect of this Council for the memory of the late Right Rev. James Hervey Otey, D. D. ; LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee, and the late Right Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions ;

Resolved, I. That in the absence of those beloved and lamented Fathers from the scenes of their earthly labors, at a time when their ardent devotion to the interests of Christ and His Holy Church, their enlarged wisdom and ripe experience would have rendered their counsels and co-operation especially valuable and important, we find cause for profound regret and sorrow, while we desire to bow in humble submission to the afflictive dispensation of Divine Providence.

II. That, holding in deserved and affectionate remembrance their many virtues, their untiring energy, and their self-sacrificing efforts to maintain and defend the truth, we will study so to advance those great designs for the moral and religious culture of our Dioceses, to which each of them had given so much time and thought, as will perpetuate the influence among us of their Christian character and elevated aims.

III. That copies of these Resolutions be spread upon the Journal, and also be communicated to the Dioceses of Tennessee and Louisiana, and to the families of the departed.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies :

MESSAGE No. 16.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that this House has concurred in the Resolution appointing Charleston, S. C., as the place of meeting of the next General Council, as conveyed to it in Message No. 14 of the House of Bishops.

MESSAGE No. 17.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the accompanying Report of the Committee on the State of the Church.

And that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Article I. of the Constitution be so amended as to read "Protestant Episcopal Church of Associated Dioceses in the United States," instead of "Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States."

On motion, the Report of the Committee on the State of the Church was received and read.

On motion :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Amendment of Article I. of the Constitution, as conveyed to it in Message No. 17 of the House of Deputies.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies :

MESSAGE No. 18.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That this House unanimously concurs in the Resolution of the House of Bishops adopting the Protest against certain Military Orders, as conveyed to it in Message No. 12 of the House of Bishops.

MESSAGE No. 19.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary inform the House of Bishops that this House is ready to adjourn, *sine die*.

The House ordered its Secretary to inform the House of Deputies that it had finished its business, and would now join with the House of Deputies in the closing devotional services of the Council.

The Bishops then proceeded to St. Paul's Church.

The Presiding Bishop delivered an appropriate address said the concluding prayers, and closed with the *Benediction of Peace*.

The Bishops then returned to the Lecture Room of St. Paul's Church, when the minutes of the day were read and approved.

On motion, the House adjourned, *sine die*.

STEPHEN ELLIOTT, D. D.,

Presiding Bishop.

ATTEST :

W. H. HARISON,

Secretary, House of Bishops.

APPENDIX.

Appendix A.

JOINT RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the opening of the Council, the House of Deputies, after organizing shall inform the House of Bishops that they have elected a President and Secretary, and are ready to proceed to business; and the House of Bishops, after electing a Secretary, shall communicate such fact to the House of Deputies.

2. Messages may be conveyed by a Committee or by the Secretary of either body. The Secretary of the body to which such message is sent shall announce "A message from the House of Bishops," or, "A message from the House of Deputies;" whereupon, proceedings shall be suspended until the message is delivered to the President. If the message be in writing, the President shall order it to be read by the Secretary, and it shall then be laid on the table, subject to the order of the House.

3. At the close of the session, the House of Deputies shall announce to the House of Bishops that they have concluded their business, and are ready to receive the Bishops. The House of Bishops shall then designate a time at which they will unite with the House of Deputies in the concluding devotional exercises, and read the Pastoral Letter, if one be issued.

4. Joint Committees, unless the number be specified in the Resolution under which they are appointed, shall consist of three Bishops and five Deputies. The assent of a majority of the Bishops and a majority of the Deputies of the Committee shall be necessary for a majority report.

Appendix B.

RULES OF ORDER OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

1. Each day's session shall commence with the Morning Service of the Church.

2. When the President takes the Chair, no Member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, except to address the Chair.

3. When the President shall have taken the Chair, the Roll of Members shall be called, and the Minutes of the preceding day read.

4. The business of the House shall be called up, and disposed of in the following order, to-wit: 1st. Communications from the President. 2d. Report

from Standing Committees. 3d. Reports of Special Committees. 4th. Petitions and Memorials. 5th. Motions and Resolutions.

5. The House shall proceed to the Order of the Day one hour after its meeting, unless sooner ordered or dispensed with, by a vote of two-thirds of the Members present.

6. All Resolutions shall be reduced to writing, presented to the Secretary, and by him read to the House; and no motion shall be considered before the House unless seconded.

7. No Member shall absent himself from the sessions of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

8. When any Member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

9. No Member shall speak more than twice, in the same debate, without leave of the House.

10. While the President is putting any question, the Members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

11. Every Member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

12. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received, unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit, to amend, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. The motions to lay upon the table and to adjourn shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

13. All Committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered.

14. When the House is about to rise, every Member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

15. The names of the movers of resolutions shall appear upon the Minutes of this House.

16. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received, of course, and without motion for acceptance, until recommitted by a vote of the House. All reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House thereon.

17. If the question under debate is susceptible of division, the same shall be divided at the request of any Member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

18. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair, without debate; but any Member may appeal from such decision; and on such appeal no Member shall speak more than once, without express leave of the House.

19. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made; no after amendment to such second amendment shall be in

order. But when an amendment to an amendment is under consideration, a substitute for the whole matter may be received. No proposition, on a subject different from the one under consideration, shall be received under color of a substitute.

20. In all questions decided numerically, the motion to reconsider must be made by one Deputy who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal division, by one who voted in the negative; and in the case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, a motion to reconsider shall be made by a majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either Order voting in the majority; and in the case of a non-concurrence of Orders, the motion to reconsider shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that Order which gave the majority in the negative; and in either case a motion to reconsider shall be seconded by a majority of any Deputation of either Order, without regard to its previous vote. And all motions to reconsider shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day.

21. None of these rules shall be altered, amended, suspended or repealed without a vote of two-thirds of the House.

Appendix C.

DIOCESAN REPORTS.

VIRGINIA.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., 1865.

To the Committee of the House of Deputies on the State of the Church:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Virginia would state that no information is before them to form the basis of such a report as the laws of the Church require. In lieu thereof, they beg leave to say that the capital and proceeds of the Episcopal fund, and all other funds of the Diocese, are so reduced that no estimate could be made of their value. The labors of the Bishop and Clergy have been greatly interrupted during the past three years. Wherever an opportunity has been given to exhibit the spirit and tendencies of our Church, there has been much encouragement. Confirmations have been large. There has been a marked disposition on the part of the community to unite with our Church.

The present number of the Clergy is about one hundred and twenty. Every effort is making to rebuild the Churches which have been destroyed, and to repair those which have been injured during the war.

G. H. NORTON,

Secretary Standing Committee, Diocese of Virginia.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina to the General Council of 1865.

Right Rev. Thomas Frederick Davis, D. D., Bishop.

REPORT OF CLERGY AND CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THE SIX YEARS, LAST PAST, AND PRESENT STATISTICS.

No new candidates for Orders have been admitted.

Clergy Ordained—Deacons, 9; Presbyters, 7.

Do. Received— Do. 0; Do. 3.

Do. Transferred—Do. 0; Do. 5.

Do. Deposed— Do. 0; Do. 1.

Do. Died — Do. 0; Do. 8.

Do. Canonically resident—Deacons, 4; Presbyters, 64.

REPORT OF PARISHES AND OF PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

Parishes—No new ones admitted.

Churches—Corner-stone laid, 1.

Do. —Consecrated, 14.

Contributions for Church-purposes, \$222,801 67, exclusive of contributions since May, 1864.

<i>Parochial Statistics.</i>		Baptisms—White Adults	204
		Do. Children	1917
		Colored Adults	838
		Do. Children	3390
		Total	6349
Marriages—White			404
		Colored	369
		Total	773
Burials—White			1507
		Colored	686
		Total	2193
Confirmed—White			1329
		Colored	1001
		Total	2330
Membership. Communicants—White			2660
		Colored	1200
		Total	3860
		Non-Communicants—White	744
		Colored	942
		Total	1686
Children under 14 years of age—White			1238
		Colored	883
		Total	2121

Since the Diocesan Council in May, 1864, no Parochial Reports have been laid before the Diocese. The statistics are therefore defective in so far as regards the official acts of Presbyters and Deacons; but those of the Bishop are reported in full to this meeting of the General Council.

For the past three years, the parishes in the lower part of the State have been almost entirely broken up. The members of the Church have, however, been generally dispersed among the Churches throughout the middle and upper country. Their constant presence in these sanctuaries has proved how dear their faith is to their hearts, and what a solace their Church has been to them in the midst of all their distresses. At present, our disorganized social state, and the difficulties of communication throughout, render it impossible to know what is the present condition of the Diocese. Our refugees are beginning to return to their old homes, and Churches long closed are being re-opened. There has been recently a pleasant demonstration on the part of our colored brethren to adhere to their old faith. How far this spirit prevails we do not know and cannot now ascertain. In relation to the financial investments of the Diocese, it is probable that more than two-thirds have been lost. The Parishes too, respectively, are so much reduced in their resources, that the condition of the clergy is one of much privation and even want. Yet, thank God, there is a cheerful spirit, a strict adherence to principle, and devout reliance upon Divine Providence. May the Almighty Disposer of all events overrule these dispensations of His providence to the glory of His name, the good of His Church, and our eternal salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

GEORGIA.

TABULAR DIGEST

Of the Triennial Report of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Georgia to the General Council of 1865.

Clergy, Ordained—Deacons, 3; Presbyters, 7.

Do. Received— Do. 0; Do. 2.

Do. Transferred— Do. 0; Do. 2.

Do. Died — Do. 0; Do. 1.

Do. Canonically resident—Deacons, 2; Presbyters, 29.

REPORT OF PARISHES AND PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

Parishes—New ones admitted, 5.

Churches—Consecrated, 2.

Contributions for Church purposes, \$135,875 47.

<i>Parochial Statistics.</i>	Baptisms	.	.	.	.	.	.	1424
	Marriages	.	.	.	.	.	.	220
	Burials	.	.	.	.	.	.	333
	Confirmations	.	.	.	.	.	.	713
	Communicants	.	.	.	.	.	.	2674

N. B.—The statistics of the Diocese for 1865 are very imperfect, many of the most important Parishes having made no Report.

ALABAMA.

In consequence of the absence of mail communications, but few Reports of the Clergy have been received, and no full statement can be made of the condition of the Diocese.

The Bishop of the Diocese reports to the General Council as follows, viz.:

Churches consecrated	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Deacons ordained	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Priests ordained	.	:	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Confirmations	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	795
Candidates for Holy Orders received	:	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Present number of Candidates for Holy Orders	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Present number of Communicants	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2000
Baptisms—Adults, 120; Children, 505; Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	625

Appendix D.

ROLL OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

The Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., of the Diocese of Georgia, Presiding Bishop.

The Right Rev. John Johns, D. D., of the Diocese of Virginia.

The Right Rev. William Mercer Green, D. D., of the Diocese of Mississippi.

The Right Rev. Francis H. Rutledge, D. D., of the Diocese of Florida.

The Right Rev. Thomas F. Davis, D. D., of the Diocese of South Carolina.

The Right Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, D. D., of the Diocese of Alabama.

Appendix E.

LIST OF THE CLERGY.

LIST OF THE CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, NOVEMBER 8, 1865

The Right Rev. Thomas F. Davis, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese and Rector of Grace Church, Camden.

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, Rector of Christ Church, Greenville.

Xenophon Y. Anderson (Deacon), Missionary to Negroes in St. Mark's, Clarendon.

Edmund E. Bellinger, Rector of St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'.

R. T. Brown, Rector of St. David's, Cheraw.

J. Barnwell Campbell, Missionary at Williamston.

- The Rev. Andrew H. Cornish, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.
 John H. Cornish, Rector of St. Thaddæus' Church, Aiken.
 Thomas F. Davis, Jr., Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Camden.
 J. Grimke Drayton, Rector of St. Andrew's Parish.
 William P. Dubose (Deacon).
 James H. Elliott, Ass't Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
 John H. Elliott, Rector of Grace Church, Anderson.
 Stephen Elliott, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish.
 John R. Fell, residing at Mount Pleasant.
 Christopher P. Gadsden, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Charleston.
 Philip Gadsden, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.
 Alexander Glennie, Rector of All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.
 J. Mercier Green, Rector of Christ Church, Charleston.
 Le Grand F. Guerry, Rector of Zion Church, Richland.
 B. E. Habersham, Rector of St. Mark's, Clarendon.
 Christian Hanckel, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro', Charleston.
 J. Stuart Hanckel, Professor in the Diocesan Seminary, Camden.
 William H. Hanckel, Rector of St. John's Church, Richland.
 Robert T. Howard, Rector of Prince George's Parish, Winyaw.
 W. B. W. Howe, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.
 James T. Hutcheson.
 Joseph Hunter.
 P. Gervais Jenkins.
 Benjamin Johnson, Rector of Trinity Church, Abbeville.
 William Johnson, Rector of the Church on Edisto Island.
 Roberts P. Johnson, Rector of St. Stephens and Upper St. John's.
 Clement F. Jones, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.
 P. Trapier Keith, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
 John S. Kidney, Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill.
 Lucien C. Lance, Missionary in Newberry and Laurens.
 Maurice H. Lance, residing near Georgetown.
 Charles E. Leverett, Missionary at St. Stephen's Chapel, Beaufort Island.
 Edward C. Logan, Assistant Missionary in Newberry and Laurens.
 Thomas N. Lucas, residing near Stateburg.
 Alexander W. Marshall, D. D., Minister of St. John's Chapel, Hampstead, Charleston.
 John D. McCullough, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, and of the Church of the Nativity, Unionville.
 David McElheran, residing at Mount Pleasant.
 Stiles Mellichamp, Rector of St. James' Church, James Island, and Assistant Missionary at Orangeburg.
 James W. Miles, residing in Anderson.
 Augustus Moore, Rector of Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.
 Josiah Obear, residing in Winnsboro'.
 A. F. Olmsted, Rector of St. John's Berkley.

The Rev. W. W. Patrick, Missionary to Negroes in St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.

Henry L. Phillips, Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.

C. C. Pinckney, Jr., Rector of Grace Church, Charleston.

A. T. Porter, Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Cannonboro', Charleston.

William T. Potter, residing in Greenville.

William O. Prentiss, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Charleston.

J. Maxwell Pringle, Rector of Christ Church, Columbia.

J. H. Quinby.

John J. Roberts, Rector of the Church of the Holy Cross, Stateburg.

Barnwell B. Sams, Rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell, and Missionary to Blackville.

Julius J. Sams, Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.

Joseph B. Seabrook, missionating in St. Paul's Parish, Stono.

Peter J. Shand, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.

James Stoney, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville.

P. F. Stevens, Rector of Trinity Church, Black Oak.

Paul Trapier, Professor in the Diocesan Seminary at Camden.

Richard S. Trapier, Rector of St. John's Church, John's Island.

Albert R. Walker, Rector of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, and of St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs.

C. Bruce Walker, residing in Columbia.

Edward T. Walker, Rector of St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island, and officiating in Edgefield.

Joseph R. Walker, D. D., Rector of St. Helena's Church, Beaufort, and officiating in St. Matthew's Parish.

J. V. Welch (Deacon), Missionary to Negroes in Claremont Parish.

Arthur Wigfall, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.

Robert Wilson (Deacon).

Also,

Richard Johnson, of the Diocese of Georgia.

CLERGY CANONICALLY CONNECTED WITH THE DIOCESE.

Bishop	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Priests	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	68
Deacons	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<u>73</u>

LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF GEORGIA.

The Right Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia, and Rector of Christ Church, Savannah.

The Rev. Theodore B. Bartow, Chaplain in the United States Navy.

Samuel Benedict, Rector of James' Church, Marietta.

Edmund P. Brown, Rector of Christ Church, St. Simon's, and St David's Church, Glynn. P. O. Mount Pleasant.

George H. Clark.

The Rev. William H. Clarke, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Augusta.
Charles H. Coley, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Savannah.
George W. Easter.
John D. Easter, Missionary to Sparta, Greensboro' and Madison.
John Welding, residing in South Carolina.
Andrew F. Freeman.
W. T. Fitch.
J. Harden George, Missionary at Cuthbert.
Charles A. Grant, Missionary in Northwestern Georgia.
William H. Harison, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Augusta.
William N. Hawks, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.
William T. Helms.
M. H. Henderson, D. D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Athens.
Telfair Hodgson.
John J. Hunt, residing in Marietta.
Richard Johnson, residing in South Carolina.
Samson D. Laney (Deacon), residing in Columbus.
George Macauley, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Albany.
Cameron F. McRae, Rector of St. John's Church, Savannah.
John Neely, residing in Augusta.
Samuel J. Pinkerton, residing in Augusta.
John T. Pryse, Principal of Montpelier Female Institute.
H. Kollock Rees, Rector of Christ Church, Macon.
T. Jefferson Staley, Marshallville.
Francis R. Starr, Rector Zion Church, Talbotton.
Charles W. Thomas, Rector of St. George's Church, Griffin.
William C. Williams, Missionary to the Colored People on the Ogee-
chee River. P. O. Clarksville.

CLERGY CANONICALLY CONNECTED WITH THE DIOCESE.

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LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF ALABAMA.

The Right Rev. Richard Hooker Wilmer, D. D., Mobile.

The Rev. A. G. Bakewell, New Orleans.

J. M. Banister, Church of the Nativity, Huntsville.

T. J. Beard, St. James' Church, Eufaula.

William Binet.

R. A. Cobbs, Rector of Church Home School, Mobile.

R. H. Cobbs, St. Paul's, Greensboro'.

William D. Christian (Deacon).

Thomas A. Cook, Talladega.

George F. Cushman, D. D., Exeter, New Hampshire.

F. W. Damus, Mobile.

The Rev. John Y. Gholson, St. Michael's Church, Faunsdale.
 J. B. Gray, Trappe, Maryland.
 F. R. Hanson, St. Andrew's, Macon.
 James S. Jarratt, Missionary, Greenville.
 F. B. Lee, St. Paul's, Carlowville.
 Edward MacClure, Greensboro'.
 J. A. Massey, D. D., Trinity Church, Mobile.
 A. Menæos, St. John's in the Prairies, Greensboro'.
 John M. Mitchell, St. John's, Montgomery.
 A. D. McCoy, New Orleans.
 R. D. Nevins, Missionary, Mobile.
 J. J. Nicholson, San Antonio, Texas.
 W. J. Perdue, St. Mary's Church, Camden.
 William M. Pettis (Deacon), officiating at Tallahassee.
 S. F. Philips.
 Henry N. Pierce, D. D., St. John's Church, Mobile.
 J. B. Ramsdell.
 J. M. Robertson, St. John's, Huntsville.
 H. Sansom, D. D.
 J. A. Shepherd, Texas.
 S. U. Smith, St. Mark's, Fork, Eutaw.
 J. F. Smith, St. Paul's, Lowndesboro'.
 J. B. T. Smith, Florence.
 W. A. Stickney, Missionary, Faunsdale P. O.
 J. H. Ticknor, St. Paul's, Selma.
 J. C. Waddill, St. Peter's, Benton. Total. 36.

N. B.—“Letters Dismissory” have been issued to the Rev. Messrs. A. G. Bakewell, William Binet, G. F. Cushman, D. D., A. D. McCoy, J. J. Nicholson, and J. A. Shepherd; but, inasmuch as no notice has been received of the acceptances of said “Letters” by the Ecclesiastical Authorities, their names are still recorded as belonging to the Diocese of Alabama.





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